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SUBJ: YUGOSLAV PUBLIC ATTITUDE TOWARDS US POLICIES

1. WE HAVE NOTED A SIGNIFICANT LESSENING OF CRITICAL TONE IN YUGOSLAV PUBLIC STATEMENTS, EDITORIALS AND PRESS ACCOUNTS OF US POLICIES IN THE MIDEAST AND ELSEWHERE OVER THE LAST TEN DAYS.

2. ON THE MIDEAST, RHETORIC BEGAN TAPERING OFF AFTER KISSINGER'S TRIP TO MOSCOW AND SUBSIDED FURTHER WHEN CEASEFIRE TOOK EFFECT. INNUENDOES DURING MIDEAST FIGHTING OF US COMPLICITY IN "ISRAELI AGRESSION", REPORTS (QUOTING ARAB SOURCES) OF US MILITARY PARTICIPATION IN WAR, AND SHARP ATTACKS ON SUPPORT BY " FORCES OF IMPERIALISM" FOR ISRAELI POLICIES HAVE NOW BECOME RARE, AND NEWS ACCOUNTS OF CURRENT US PEACE INITIATIVE AND SECRETARY'S TRIP TO MIDEAST HAVE BEEN RELATIVELY STRAIGHTFORWARD AND FACTUAL.

3. YUGOSAVS PREVIOUSLY SEEM TO HAVE UNDERESTIMATED US DETERMINATION TO PURSUE A PERMANENT MIDEAST SETTLEMENT. UNFOLDING EVENTS, ALONG WITH OUR RECENT CONVERSATIONS WITH YUGO OFFICIAL IN WASHINGTON AND BELGRADE, APPEAR HOWEVER TO HAVE FOSTERED GROWING YUGOSLAV REALIZATION OF US SERIOUSNESS. YUGOS ALSO PROBABLY

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DO NOT WANT TO APPEAR OUT OF STEP WITH EGYPTIANS (SADAT'S

DESCRIPTION OF US ROLE AS "CONSTRUCTIVE" LAST WEEK AND NOV6  
ANNOUNCEMENT OF AGREEMENT TO REESTABLISH US-EGYPTIAN DIPLOMATIC  
RELATIONS MAY HAVE COME AS A SURPRISE TO A YUGOSLAV PUBLIC INFORMED  
BY LOCAL MEDIA ONLY OF US TRANSGRESSIONS.

4. THE ABOVE SAID, SHOULD CURRENT PEACE INITIATIVES FOUNDER (FOR  
ANY REASON) AND FIGHTING RESUME, GOY WOULD LIKELY ONCE AGAIN  
RAISE THE RHETORIC LEVEL.  
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